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For: Inspection method and apparatus using an

Examiner: B. E. Souw

electron beam

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This response accompanies a Request for Continued Examination filed in the referenced application. In response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1-14, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.